

Project Purpose and Need

In order to ensure a safe and efficient transportation system, MoDOT is working now on plans to address future needs. Any improvements will need to address the following:



Roadway Deficiencies

How well does it meet MoDOT's best practice design standards?



Traffic Safety

How well does it meet driver expectations?



System Linkage

How well does it connect the north and south portions of Kansas City? How well does it connect other roads?



Transportation Demand and Capacity

Will it provide sufficient capacity to meet future travel demands?



Traffic Operation

How well does it allow traffic to enter, merge and exit? Are there required lane shifts to continue traveling on the freeway?



Economic Development and Access to Activity Centers

How well does it provide access to major employment or activity center destinations?



Modal Inter-relationships

How well does it support truck travel and the movement of freight?



NAFTA Trade Corridor

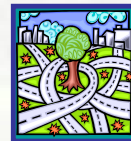
How well does it support the interstates' roll in international trade?

Other Key Issues



Project Costs

What is the general magnitude of cost?



Impacts to:

People and their homes, businesses and communities

Access to and between surrounding neighborhoods, businesses and communities

Natural areas, including wetlands and forests

Streets, parking, railroads

Parks and historic properties